



California EEI Curriculum

Increasing Environmental Literacy for K-12 Students...
Because the Future is in Their Hands



Teachers Across the State are Thrilled to be Using the EEI Curriculum Now!

With State Board of Education approval of the EEI Curriculum last year, hundreds of California teachers are now implementing the EEI Curriculum in their classrooms. Twenty school districts have signed on as "Early Adopters" and scores of teachers outside of the Early Adopter districts are accessing the curriculum online for use. Students from Redding in the North to San Diego in the South; Santa Cruz on the Coast, and Galt and Manteca in the Central Valley are using these new and engaging materials. Kindergartners are learning that water comes from rivers and lakes, not just faucets. They are playing natural resources bingo in order to learn about the resources they use in their daily lives. Students are building food webs to demonstrate how life forms depend on one another and when one declines, the others are threatened as well. High school students are role playing to explore issues such as endangered species, economic and environmental sustainability and climate change.

This is just the beginning. Plans are underway for continued roll-out of the EEI Curriculum across the state. We are eager to speak with any district personnel,

New Tools available at

www.californiaeei.org

Check out the new tools added to the EEI website. We now have a *Learn More* page that provides brochures, news articles and other materials about the EEI Curriculum. Read the Case for Support page to learn how to invest in the EEI and build awareness in your local community.

Pre-survey and Post Survey

Please let us know how you are implementing the EEI Curriculum.

Go to our website at

[http://www.calepa.ca.gov/
Education/EEI/Surveys/Default.htm](http://www.calepa.ca.gov/Education/EEI/Surveys/Default.htm)

and complete the pre-survey before you start teaching EEI. Your input is integral in determining the effectiveness of the EEI Curriculum. A post-survey is also now posted on-line. Please visit our website at [http://www.calepa.ca.gov/
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principal, or teacher who has a desire to utilize EEI. Please don't hesitate to contact us. Thank you to all the teachers currently implementing and to all those helping promote the use of EEI, we appreciate your efforts. EEI is increasing environmental literacy for K – 12 students because the future is in their hands!

Questions or Comments?

Have a question or a comment? For additional information, please call us at (916) 341-6769 or send an e-mail to eei@calepa.ca.gov. We are happy to assist you.

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and complete the post-survey after you have taught an EEI Curriculum unit to give us your feedback.

Thank you to Annenberg Learner

Thanks to the generous support of the Annenberg Foundation and Annenberg Learner, DVD copies of the EEI Curriculum are available to any teacher for faster access and storage. If you would like a DVD, please contact us at (916) 341-6761.



Santa Monica Malibu Schools Partner with Sempra

A \$50,000 grant from the Sempra Energy Foundation provided teacher training and materials for up to 100 teachers in SMMUSD. Executive Director Beatriz Palomino Young said "We are proud to support the local district in its efforts to develop educational programs that encourage students to protect and conserve Southern California's natural landscape."

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